

THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING FOR THE WARD OF COTES WAS
HELD AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR.& MRS.M.J.P.URWIN ON
MONDAY, 2ND. APRIL, 1984, AT 8-0 P.M.

Present.

Mr.A.R.Howe, Chairman, Mr.M.J.P.Urwin, County
Councillor Mr.E.Lodge, and two local government
electors.

Apology.

An apology for non-attendance was received from
Charnwood Borough Councillor Mr.R.Shields.

Minutes.

The Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on
26th.April,1983 were read by the Clerk, confirmed by
the meeting as being a true record, and were then
signed by the Chairman.

Matters arising.

Storm Water, Stanford Lane, Cotes.

Following a request made to the Divisional Surveyor,
work has been carried out to improve the drainage of
storm water on Stanford Lane from the telephone kiosk
to the junction with the main A60. This work has
improved the drainage, and the situation is now
acceptable.

Caravan Club, Certified Site, Hall Farm, Stanford
Lane.

The Chairman read a report of the meeting he and
Mr.Urwin had with the owner of the above site
Mrs.Hibbins.

The occupant of the caravan being continuously
occupied on a site not agreed upon by the Caravan
Club was a final year student and would be leaving
in June. Under these circumstances the matter was
left to resolve itself in a reasonably short time.
However, it was pointed out to Mrs.Hibbins that
although this caravan is not on one of the sites
denoted by the Caravan Club, this does not excuse the
continuous use of the Caravan as this contravenes
the Borough of Charnwood's Regulations.

The point was also clearly made how easily the
Certificated License could be withdrawn should the
Caravan Club's rules be broken, and that before any
caravan can be sited for continuous occupation,
permission must be obtained from the Borough of
Charnwood.

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Chairman's
Report.

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Burton-on-the-Wolds Village Hall.

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Special Village name signs for Burton-on-the-Wolds.

In order to try and reduce the speed of traffic entering the village on the B676, the Parish Council purchased two special name signs from the County Council.

Special Street Direction Plates, Seymour Road,
Burton-on-the-Wolds.

To help visitors to find Brook Street and the various Closes leading off Seymour Road, the Parish Council asked the Borough of Charnwood to erect a Direction Plate at the entrance to Seymour Road, and this will be provided in due course.

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Wymeswold Airfield.

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The Parish Council has notified the County Council of the situation and has asked if the footpath that was extinguished at the time the Airfield was built can now be reinstated.

Cotes.

A request for a village name sign was made, and the County Council has agreed to provide one.

The provision of a 30 m.p.h. speed limit sign at the entrance to Cotes from Stanford is also being considered by the County Council.

Finance.

In paying for the necessary urgent repairs to the Village Hall Toilet Block, the working balance has been considerably reduced, and in order to redress this situation and to maintain a balance to meet any eventualities, the Council has Precepted for £4500.00 for 1984-5. This represents a Parish Rate of 4P.

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County Council
report by
Mr.E.Lodge.

Referring to the recent petition from residents of Burton-on-the-Wolds concerning the dangerous crossing at the village centre and the speed of traffic through the village on the B676, Mr.Lodge stated that the County Council has done as much as can be done to help with this problem. At the same time a large amount of money is being spent on re-surfacing the road and laying new kerb stones and footways through the village.

The B675 - B676 junction at the Old Burton School is being investigated to see what improvements can be

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made there.

Referring to County Council expenditure, Mr.Lodge reported that the County Rate will be increased by 4.1% for 1984-5. The County Council spends £400million a year, and 60% of this is spent on education. Contrary to reports by the media the County Council is spending more on Education than ever before.

In order to achieve a small rate increase, the County Council will now be re-paying their borrowings over a period of sixty years instead of thirty years.

Reporting on the mining of Gypsum in the area, Mr.Lodge said that the situation is the same as last year, although British Gypsum are again considering the building of a processing factory at Barrow-upon-Soar.

Mr.Lodge reported on theLeicestershire Police Force who have been heavily engaged on investigation work on murders within the County. This has involved the Police in a considerable amount of overtime, and the extra cost has had to be met out of County Funds.

The County Council also spends £2 million a year on bus subsidies, and Mr.Lodge referred to the recently introduced bus service linking the villages in the area and on to Leicester. This is proving to be viable, but it must be supported and used if it is to continue.

Report by

Mr.R.Shields.

Being unable to attend, Mr.Shields had agreed to the report he had given to the Annual Parish Meeting for the Ward of Burton-on-the-Wolds to be read to this meeting, and this the Chairman agreed to do.

Mr.Shields thanked the meeting for electing him on to the Borough of Charnwood at the District Elections held last year, and informed the meeting that he also represented the Ward on the Highways and Planning Committee of the Borough.

Mr.Shields referred to the Sports and Community Centre for which the Borough had put in an application for it to be built at Burton. Unfortunately Charnwood had not been successful in the application which had gone to a parish in Northhamptonshire.

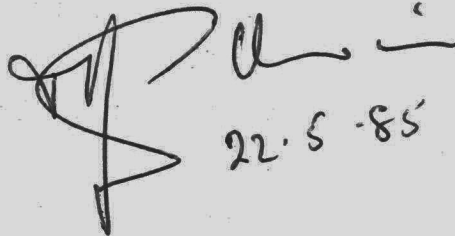
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Referring to the report that British Rail are looking into the introduction of a Rail Bus Service between Loughborough and Leicester. Mr.Shields said that the Borough of Charnwood has a committee looking into this.

There was no further business or questions asked, and after thanking Mr.Lodge for his attendance, and Mr. and Mrs.Urwin for allowing the meeting to be held in their house, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8-50 p.m.


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THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING FOR THE WARD OF PRESTWOLD
WAS HELD IN HOTON VILLAGE HALL ON WEDNESDAY, 6TH.MAY,
1981, AT 8-0 P.M.

Present.

Mr.T.Eggleston, Chairman, Mr.T.E.W.Sleath, County Councillor E.Lodge, Charnwood Borough Councillor B.Scarlett, and three local government electors.

Apologies.

Apologies for non-attendance were received from Mr.Packe-Drury-Lowe, and Mr.&Mrs.Howlett.

Minutes.

The Minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting held on 8th.May,1980, were read by the Clerk, confirmed by the meeting as being a true record, and were signed by the Chairman.

Matters arising.

A new raised footpath and kerbing had been recently been constructed against the houses in Prestwold. A request for this to be done had been made at the Parish Meeting in 1978, when it was stated that this work would be carried out at some future date when expenditure allowed.

Mr.Brooks expressed his appreciation of the work. Mrs.Parker also expressed her appreciation of the fact that Barton's Transport are now able to charge intermediate fares between Burton-on-the-Wolds and Loughborough. This is a result of a concession made to Barton Transport by the Trent Motor Traction Company who are the original license holders on the route.

Chairman's
Report.

The Chairman gave a brief outline of the Parish Council's work during the past year mentioning the continued financial support given to the Burton Playing Field Association with their annual running costs, and also to the financial help given to the Burton Village Hall Management Committee in maintaining the fabric of the Village Hall.

The Chairman also gave details of a car-sharing scheme which the Parish Council has recently introduced in the parish, mainly to enable people to get to the Medical Centre at Barrow-upon-Soar. Finally the Chairman reported on the financial requirements for 1981-2, these amounted to £2600.00 which represented a rate of 1.96P.

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Report by
County
Councillor
E.Lodge.

Speaking on the County Rate, Mr.Lodge stated that this years increase had been kept down to 4.1% by using some of the financial reserves, this resulted in Leicestershire being the second lowest county rate in the country.

Although cuts had been made in Education, the teacher-pupil ratio is the best for the past five years.

Referring to the gypsum deposit in the district, Mr.Lodge stated that he agreed that this should be mined, but should be transported by rail to the place of processing. Mr.Lodge reported that a further application has been made by British Gypsum to transport the gypsum by road for a period of two years, this will entail further discussion up to County Council level.

Mr.Lodge spoke of the difficulties created by the lorries operating from the quarry at Mountsorrel. A full enquiry is being held with all the parishes affected by this problem.

Report by
Borough
Councillor
B.Scarlett.

Councillor Scarlett mentioned the building of houses for Senior Citizens and asked the meeting for its views on where the houses should be built. It was the opinion of the meeting that people eligible for this type of house would wish to remain in their own village.

Councillor Scarlett made reference to the test borehole which the Natural Environment Research Council propose to drill on Wymeswold Airfield. This will now be the subject of a Public Enquiry.

Finally Councillor Scarlett mentioned the Severn-Trent Flood Alleviation Scheme costing £4 million, and which is long overdue, this will be started next year.

Any other
business.

Long traffic delays are still being experienced at the Nottingham Road-Ratcliffe Road junction in Loughborough. The meeting was informed that improvements to alleviate this problem are in the early stages.

There was no further business, and the Chairman closed the meeting at 8-40 p.m.

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THE-ANNUAL PARISH MEETING FOR THE WARD OF PRESTWOLD
WAS HELD IN THE HOTON VILLAGE HALL ON WEDNESDAY,
18TH.APRIL, 1984, AT 8-0 P.M.

Present.

Mr.A.R.Howe, Chairman, Mr.T.E.W.Sleath, County Councillor Mr.E.Lodge, and five local government electors.

Apologies.

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Minutes.

The Minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting held on 30th.March, 1983, were read by the Clerk, confirmed by the meeting as being a true record, and were then signed by the Chairman.

Matters arising

Housing accommodation in Hoton for Senior Citizens.

Mrs Parker asked if there had been any further development in this type of housing accommodation for Hoton since the last meeting.

The Chairman reported that nothing further had been heard from the Borough of Charnwood, but he would make further enquiries.

Prestwold Churchyard.

Following a question asked by Mr.Packe-Drury-Lowe at the last Annual Parish Meeting concerning the maintenance of the boundary wall of the Prestwold Churchyard, a letter from the Borough Leisure Services Officer stated that the maintenance of the boundary wall is the responsibility of the Borough of Charnwood.

Direction signs to Leicester City General Hospital.

The need for improvement to the direction signs to the hospital has now been brought to the notice of Leicester City Council and the City Engineer.

A report made to the City Council's Planning Committee recognised the poor quality of signing on the Ring Road leading to the Hospital, and the City Engineer is continuing to press the County Council to make finance available for improving the signs.

Additional Street Lamp, Prestwold.

The additional Street Lamp requested at the last

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Annual Parish Meeting has now been installed and is working.

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Referring to waste disposal, Mr.Lodge reported that the Incineration Plant at Wanlip is being discontinued, and the waste is being dumped in a quarry.

The County Council is hoping to improve on the grass cutting cycle of wayside verges.

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Referring to the roads in the Parish, Mr.Lodge reported on the re-surfacing and re-kerbing through Burton-on-the-Wolds, and the County Council is also carrying out investigations at the B675-B676 junction at the Old Burton School to see what improvements can be made there. Following a report by Mr.Packe-Drury-Lowe of a near accident on the A60 at Cotes, improvements to the white line system have been carried out.

Report by
Mr.R.Shields.

In the absence of Mr.Shields, the Chairman read the report given by Mr.Shields at the Annual Parish Meetings of Burton-on-the-Wolds and Cotes as follows :-

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Any other
business.

Wymeswold Airfield.

Mr.Feather referred to the report by the Chairman that Wymeswold Airfield is now surplus to Air Ministry requirements and is to be sold.

Mr.Feather asked why this land is not being returned to the original owner. The Chairman recoorted that the land had been given to the Ministry of Defence in lieu of Death Duties, and therefore the Ministry are the present owners.

In tendering his apologies for non-attendance,
Mr.Packe-Drury-Lowe wished to thank the County Council

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for the improvements to the white line system on the A60 near Cotes.

There were no further questions, and after thanking Mr. Lodge for his kind attendance, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.55 p.m.

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